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Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Application for Entering into Loan Agreement for Industrial Revenue Bonds and for

Issuance and Deposit of First Mortgage Bonds

Docket No. 2008-324-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("the Company") has requested authority to issue debt in the amount of \$35,000,000, to help finance the installation of Pollution Control Facilities, "wet scrubbers," at the Wateree Generating Station. The proposed debt, in the form of Industrial Revenue Bonds, is flexibly structured so that interest rates on the bonds may be reset to take advantage of conditions in the financial market. The Company has the option of locking in a rate after a reset but can still use interest-rate swaps to maintain interest-rate flexibility without affecting the bonds. The South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority ("JEDA") will issue the bonds and the proceeds will go the Company free of State and Federal taxes.

ORS believes that the cap on the interest rate at initial issuance should be lower than the 7%, certainly no higher than 6.75%. With this qualification and based on its review, ORS has no objection to SCE&G's request.

Sincerely,

JWF/dhc

cc: Dan F. Arnett, Chief of Staff, SC ORS

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